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I do not support the DOJ allowing Microsoft off the hook so easily. Microsoft is a monopoly and they illegally use their monopoly to kill off any competitor that gets in their way.

Microsoft uses the Windows operating system as a means to bundle a competing application and thus distributes their software freely onto over 90% of all desktop computers. For example, Microsoft bundles its Internet service, MSN, with each copy of Windows. Of course, AOL is a competitor of MSN, but to have the same access to Windows users, AOL has to pay Microsoft a large sum of money as well as make deals with each and every PC vendor (e.g., Compaq). AOL also has to distribute millions of copies of AOL to entice users to install their software.

For Microsoft to compete with AOL, what does they have to do? Next to nothing! There are no deals to be made with PC vendors, nor any CD1s that need to be mailed out to the masses. No, Microsoft only has to bundle MSN with Windows.

Let's not forget what this antitrust case is about! It's about Microsoft illegally bundling software with Windows, as well as its exclusive contracts with PC vendors, ISPs, etc.

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